Show cause notice to cigarette companies

2140. SHRI DINKARRAO GOVINDRAO PAUL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased *to* state;

(a) whether Government have issued any show cause notice to cigarette companies for realisations of Rs. 1325 cr. excise duty; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. K. GADHVI); (a) and (b) The following show cause notices issued to cigarette companies for evasion of central excise duty are pending adjudication.

Name of the Company	No. of Show Cause Notices	Amount involved (Rs. in crores)
ITC and job workers	30	920
NTC and job workers	20	225
CTC and job workers	41	151
Godfrey Phillips (I) Ltd. and job workers. .	11	107
TOTAL:	102	1403

Screenings of pornographic films

2141. SHRI DINKARRAO GOVINDRAO PAUL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the screenings of pornographic films like Big Zapper in Delhi cinemas by NRIs;

(b) whether Government are taking any steps to check their screening; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) Government are aware of the screening of the film Big Zapper, and some reports about it. The film has been approved for public exhibition by the Central Boarj of Film Certification.

(b) and (c) All films, whether Indian or foreign, Including those imported by non-resideft Indians, have to be certfied for public exhibition by the Central Board of Film Certification as per the provisions of the Cinematograph Act, 1952, the Cinematograph (Certification) Rules 1983 and the guidelines issued thereunder by Central Government. The guidelines *inter alia* provide that the Central Board of Film Certification while certifying a film for public exhibition will ensure that human sensibilities are not offended by vulgarity, obscenity and dep-pravity.

Investigations into Bachchan brothers Illegal wealth abroad

2142. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE; Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have initiated any investigations into Bachchan brothers, illegal wealth abroad, other than that which came into light by efforts of nongovernmental personsjagencies, if so, what investigations were started and when and with what outcome;

(b) the datewise steps taken in this regard as yet under the law and the results thereof; and

(c) whether their property in India also is being investigated as a case of being disproportionate to the known sources of income, £ so, what is the outcome thereof an< if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT Of EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. K. GADPVI); (a) to (c) Tha Directorate of Enforcement have initiated enquiry against IShri AJitabh Bachchan by issuing directives under section 32(2) of the FERA, 19*7 on 20.7.87 and 31.7.87 requiring hi n to furnish all relevant information egarding business Interest, moveable ; ad immovable properties in and outside India including acquisition of an apar ment in Switzerland. The investigations ; re at an initial stage. It is not considered expedient to disclose further details at his stage. On the basis of outcome oi' investigations, action as warranted unde the law, will be taken.

Recipients of commission in submarines deal

2143. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAIPA-YEE: Will the Mi lister 0f DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the recipients of commission in tiie German submarines deal and the amount so received by each one;

(b) what action has been taken to get back the payments so made and the extent of German Government's cooperation received in this regard; and

(c) what steps have been taken to meet the situation arising out of the information that tlie blueprints of these submarines were sold by the suppliers tt> South Africa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRO-DUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATH): (a) and (b) The allegation regard! ig the involvement of agents in the purchase of submarines from HDW does not mention the names of the agents or the amounts received by them. Investigations in the matter have been entrusted to the Enforcement Directorate, the Central Board of Direct Taxes and the Economic Intelligence Bureau. Government has also taken up the matte: with the West German Government and HDW, to furnish complete information. HDW have replied that the information conveyed to the Government of India is incorrect and possibly the result of a niis-understanding. HDW have further stated that the negotiations in respect of their Contract with the Government of India were held directly between the Government of India, H.D.W. and the West German Government without any Indian agent being engage'd. The matter is being pursued with the Government of Federal Republic of Germany.

(c) A news item appearing in the Hindustan Times of Dec. 24, 1986 indicated that blue-prints of the HDW submarines supplied to India had been sold to South Africa, Two matter was taken up with the Government of Federal Republic of Germany.

A committee established by the West German Parliament is investigating into the matter. Meanwhile, M|s. HDW nave been addressed in regard to the violadon of the confidentiality clause in the Contract.

Hilly areas of Orissa

2144. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount of assistance being given by the International Development Agency for development of hilly areas of Orissa; and

(b) the details of the schemes undertaken in different blocks of Orissa wit a this assistance and the time by when each of these schemes is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI SUKH RAM); (a) The International